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**In the Specification**

Please replace the following brief description of the figures on page 9, at line 16 with the following rewritten brief description:

FIGS 11A-11F are diagrammatic cross-sectional views illustrating the occluded shape of a laser beam in accordance to the present invention.

FIGS 12A-12F are diagrammatic cross-sectional views illustrating embodiments of the invention involving increasing the size of the laser beam subportions and reexposing the cornea.

FIGS 13A-13F are diagrammatic views of the operation according to an embodiment of the invention involving the use of overlapping subportions, having substantially parallel chords.

FIG 14 is a diagrammatic view of the exposures in a 90° rotation in compressed form.

FIGS 15-16 are diagrammatic views of the exposures in a 180° rotation in compressed form.

By amending the application as requested above, the Brief Description of the Drawings will read as follows (amended portion in bold):

**Brief Description of the Drawings**

**FIGS 11A-11F are diagrammatic cross-sectional views illustrating the occluded shape of a laser beam in accordance to the present invention.**

**FIGS 12A-12F are diagrammatic cross-sectional views**

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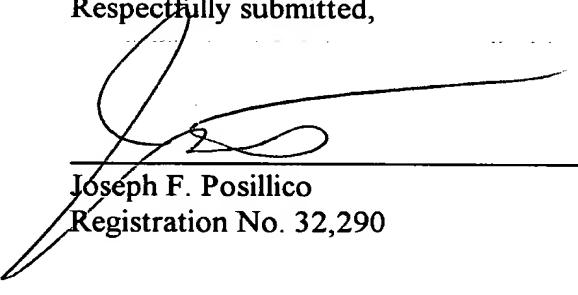
**illustrating embodiments of the invention involving increasing the size of the laser beam subportions and reexposing the cornea.**

**FIGS 13A-13F are diagrammatic views of the operation according to an embodiment of the invention involving the use of overlapping subportions, having substantially parallel chords.**

**FIG 14 is a diagrammatic view of the exposures in a 90° rotation in compressed form.**

**FIGS 15-16 are diagrammatic views of the exposures in a 180° rotation in compressed form.**

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